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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hickman et al.

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FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
ACCESSING A WIDE AREA NETWORK**

EXAMINER: A. Patel

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**Amendment After Final Rejection**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following remarks in response to the Final Office Action dated 11/15/2005.